

## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith, which place the application into condition for allowance. The present amendment is being made to facilitate prosecution of the application.

### I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS AND FORMAL MATTERS

Claims 1, 3-7, and 9-13 are currently pending. Claims 1, 7, and 13 are independent and are hereby amended. No new matter has been introduced. Support for this amendment is provided throughout the Specification as originally filed.

Changes to the claims are not made for the purpose of patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §101, §102, §103, or §112. Rather, these changes are made simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which Applicants are entitled.

### II. REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1, 3-7, and 9-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,977,676 to Sato et al. (hereinafter, merely "Sato") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,624,846 to Lassiter.

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Claim 1 is representative and has been amended to recite, *inter alia*:

"wherein the third image display portion does not display all images from the first camera unit that are within the movement range, the third image display portion displays only particular images within the movement range the particular images selected from the

group consisting of images showing four sides of the movement range, images showing the four corners of the movement range, and images showing the four corners and center of the movement range.” (emphasis added)

Referring to FIGS. 4 and 8 of the present application, there is a third image display portion 101. The third image display portion displays a maximum movement range image. Publ. App. par. [0061]. That is, the present application has been amended to clarify that a third display portion is provided that displays a maximum movement range image displayed in the movement range image display portion taken by moving the camera unit over the widest range capable and photographing in increments of frames. Publ. App. par. [0097].

The entire image display frame 101a does not have to display all of the images in the movement range. Instead, various arrangements may be made so that the range displayed on the entire image display portion 102 is alternatively displayed on the movement range image display portion 101. As recited claimed in claim 1, specific other arrangements of displayed images include showing the four sides of the range displayed in the entire image display portion 102 as indicated in FIG. 5A, showing the four corners of the range displayed in the entire image display portion 102 as indicated in FIG. 5B, and showing the four corners and center of the range displayed in the entire image display portion 102 as indicated in FIG. 5C. Publ. App. par. [0064] and FIGS. 4 and 5A-5C.

The Office Action, at pages 9-10, points to Lassiter , col. 7, lines 3, *et seq* and FIG. 9 for the above-recited element of claim 1. However, the cited location Lassiter does not disclose the specific and particular technique for displaying the movement range. Sato does not add the element missing from Lassiter

Applicants assert claim 1, as amended, overcomes the Sato and Lassiter references.

Thus, claim 1 is believed patentable over Sato and Lassiter.

For reasons similar or somewhat similar to those described above with regard to independent claim 1, independent claims 7 and 13 are also believed to be patentable.

### **III. DEPENDENT CLAIMS**

The other claims are dependent from one of the claims discussed above and are therefore believed patentable for at least the same reasons. Because each dependent claim is also deemed to define an additional aspect of the invention, however, the individual reconsideration of the patentability of each on its own merits is respectfully requested.

### **CONCLUSION**

Claims 1, 3-7, and 9-13 are in condition for allowance. In the event the Examiner disagrees with any of statements appearing above with respect to the disclosure in the cited reference, or references, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner specifically indicate those portions of the reference, or references, providing the basis for a contrary view.

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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the claims in this application are patentable and Applicants respectfully request early passage to issue of the present application.

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